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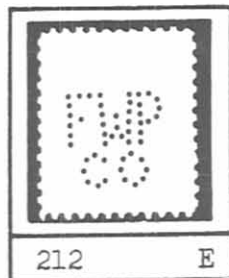
THE JOHN WILDING PAPER COMPANY INC.

*Dependable Papers*

117-119-121 EAST BRACKENRIDGE STREET

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FORT WAYNE, INDIANA



United States Envelope Co.

Springfield, Mass.

The photographically cropped illustration was posted on May 1, 1939 at Fort Wayne, Indiana. The 3¢ Jefferson stamp is punched "FWP/CO". That is perfin pattern F212 which is listed in the *Catalog of United States Perfins* as having been used by the Fort Wayne Printing Company. Since printing and paper are allied industries it is not unexpected to consider that the printing company was the subsidiary or a subsidiary of the paper company. In this instance since FWP/CO matches the press, I would assume that the press was the parent. We might be able to confirm this through a 1939 issue of the Fort Wayne, ID City Directory or by a Fort Wayne Printing Company cover showing the 117-119-121 East Brackenridge Street address.

In any event, it is recommended that the next issue of the US catalog include a supplementary entry identifying the John Wilding Paper Company, Inc. as a user of pattern F212.

Editor's comments: Upon receipt of a full-sized photocopy, John Randall, the US Catalog Editor wrote: "This cover is ok to reproduce, as apparently it took over Fort Wayne Printing, or may have been the subsidiary. It is late usage of the perfin. John Wilding will go into the Appendix.